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Terry Goddard Takes Internet Safety Program to Casa Grande School

(Phoenix, Ariz. - Aug. 28, 2006) Attorney General Terry Goddard will make an Internet Safety presentation to students at Cactus Middle School in Casa Grande at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29.

The presentation will emphasize precautions young people should take with social network Web sites such as myspace.com and facebook.com. The presentation will include experiences of teens who have been victims of Internet exploitation. The Internet safety program was developed by NetSmartz and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

Internet safety is a topic of growing importance because young people are spending more time online, and many are unaware of the dangers they can encounter. A recent survey conducted by Cox Communications and the National Center for Missing and Exploited children found that 30 percent of kids between 13- and 17-years-old considered having a face-to-face meeting with someone they met online. The survey also revealed that 14 percent actually had the meeting.

Cactus Middle school is located at 1220 E. Kortsen Rd. in Casa Grande. The presentation will be held in the library and is open to the media. Goddard will be available for interviews following the event.

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